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18 August 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF, MILITARY INTELLIGENCE SERVICE:

Subject: Establishment of Pacific MIRS.

1. As of this date the following action has been taken to establish the Pacific MIRS for the exploitation of captured Japanese documents:

a. Through the Training Branch, MIS, request for personnel has been made on the MISLS. Colonel Rasmussen has stated that he will furnish a large nucleus in the immediate future including a high proportion of personnel from his faculty and the remainder will be supplied by the MISLS as soon as properly qualified personnel are developed and not later than December 1944. The list of personnel for immediate assignment is now being transmitted from the MISLS.

b. One officer and five Nessi, now assigned to the Pacific Order of Battle Section, Military Branch, have been allocated to the Pacific MIRS and are spending part time exploiting captured Japanese transfer lists and part time attending specified courses in the Pacific Order of Battle School. Initiated the training of non-language personnel in the Pacific Order of Battle Course. This will be completed on 2 September 1944.

c. Reserved equipment from the abandoned New York office of the MIS to equip the Pacific MIRS when the location is established. This equipment is in the custody of Major J. H. Randall, MIS.

d. Completed the detailed planning of the interior organization of the Pacific MIRS.

e. Worked out the arrangements for the establishment of the Pacific MIRS with the Commanding General, MITC, Camp Ritchie, Md., if the organization is to be established there.

f. Obtained an approximate estimate ($50,000) from the A. C. of S., G-4, MDW, for the erection of housing facilities at Ft. Hunt, Va., utilizing troop labor and antiaircraft construction already in existence.

g. Through the A. C. of S., G-4, MDW, requested from the District engineer an official estimate for the construction required at Ft. Hunt, Va., if the Pacific MIRS is to be located there.

2. In general, every effort has been made to implement the establishment of the Pacific MIRS and the selection and training of personnel phase is well advanced.

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Colonel, G. S. C.,
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